GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3456
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SPONSORSHIPS OF STUDIES BY NEC
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the North-Eastern Council (NEC) has sponsored various studies/Investigations/Seminars/Workshops etc. to various agencies and Non-Governmental Organization in the region and elsewhere;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the amount sanctioned, year-wise, to various agencies as well as the purpose of which it was sanctioned, agency/NGO-wise;

(c) whether any study has been conducted to find out the usefulness of these studies/investigations/seminars/workshops etc. for the economic development of the region;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A statement is annexed.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): In view of `(c)` above, the question does not arise.

(e): Topics of studies/workshops/seminars were selected keeping in view their importance/relevance for the socio-economic development of the region. Recently an Evaluation Advisory Committee has been constituted in NEC which has held three review meetings since December, 2000 and has identified a number of schemes for conducting evaluation studies.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3456 FOR 14/8/2001 BY SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH REGARDING SPONSORSHIP OF STUDIES BY NEC

Sr.No.	Name of the Organisation	Amount sanctioned by NEC	Purpose for which amount is sanctioned	Remarks
	ARUNACHAL PRADESH			
1.	Dr. S.N. Hegde, Secretary, Orchid Society, Arunachal Pradesh, Van Vihar, PB No.159, Itanagar	Rs.5,00,000/-	Organisation of International Orchid Seminar-cum-Festival at Itanagar.	The programme was successfully implemented.
2.	Convenor, Arunachal Unit Wadia Institute of Himalaya, Vivek Vihar, Itanagar	Rs.75,000/-	Publication of Proceedings of a National workshop on Arunachal Pradesh/envirn. Planning & Sustainable Dev.	do
	MANIPUR			
3.	Prof. K.T.Singh,Organising secretary, RIMS, Imphal.	Rs.50,000/-	CME programme on Indo-U.K. Programme on Maternal & Child Health (MCH) on	do

		18th-19th March, 1999 at Imphal.	
4. Dr. N.B.Singh,RIMS,Imphal.	Rs.74,000/-	CME-cum-Workshop on Brachyltherapy for Head & Neck & Breast Cancer-Oct., 1999.	do
5. Prof.A.D.Singh, Organising Secretary, Indo-U.S. CME on emergency Medicine, RIMS, Imphal.	Rs.40,000/-	Indo-U.S. CME Programme on Emergency Medicine by Medical Council of India on 20th-21st August, 1999.	do
ASSAM			
6. Shri Mohan Bhattacharya,Orgn. Secy., Deptt. of Anatomy & History, College of Vety. Science, AAU, Khanapara, Guwahati-2.	Rs.20,000/-	XIIIth National Convention & Symposium of Indian Association of Vety. Anatomist (IAVA) theme Application of Vety. Anatomy in Biotechnology, Immunology & Clinical Practices on 11th - 12th December, 1998.	do
7. Shri A.N.S. Ahmed,Chairperson, Deptt. of Pol. Science, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh.	Rs.40,000/-	6th Annual conference on NE Indian Political Science Association at Dibrugarh University.	do
8. Director, NERIWALM, P.O. Dolabari, Kaliabhomora, Tezpur-27.	Rs.25,000/-	2-Day Seminar on Watershed Management in Hilly Areas-Problem & Prospect, organised by NERIWALM.	do
9. Dr. D.D. Malil, Director, Indian Institute of entrepreneurship, Lalmati, 37, NH Bypass, Guwahati.	Rs.75,000/-	For Printing of Seminar papers on National Entrepreneurship Development held on 10th-11th December, 1998 at Guwahati.	do
10. Dean, Faculty of Veterinary Sc.,Deptt.of Microbiology, College of Veterinary Science, AAU, Khanapara, Guwahati.	Rs.45,000/-	VIIth Annual convention of Indian society for Veterinary Immunology & National Symposium of Veterinary, Immunology & Biotechnology in New Milennium on 2nd - 4th February, 2000 at AAU Khanapara, Guwahati.	do
11. Office Secretary, NE Girls` Student Coordination Committee, Krishna Bhawan, Guwahati. behind SBI, Chenikuti Branch,	Rs.1,00,000/-	2-days Seminar on National Integration & economic development of NE on 26th -27th November, 1999 at Guwahati.	do
12. Smt. Minakshi Devi, Convenor, WOCEB-2K, Department of Physics, G.U., Assam.	Rs.60,000/-	Trg. Prog. Of WOCEB-2K at G.U. on 16th - 22nd January, 2000.	do
13. Shri H.P. Borooah, President, NE Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Guwahati.	Rs.1,50,000/-	Seminar on Development of Agro-productskey to prosperity on 6th - 7th July, 2000 at Guwahati.	do

14. Smt. Anjana Goswami,Secy, ASHADEEP & Coordination, NE Regional workshop, Guwahati.	Rs.1,00,000/-	Psycho-social Rehabilitation of people disabled with metal illness on 8th - 9th September, 2000 at Guwahati.	do
15. Dr. Manindra Borah, Head, Department of Maths, Science & Prog., Tezpur University, Tezpur.	Rs.30,000/-	Expository workshop on Remote Sensing & GIS for Natural resources survey in NE India on 20-23rd July, 2000 at Tezpur.	do
16. Dr. Harsha Bhattacharjee, Medical Director and Trustee, Sri Sankaranarayan Nethralaya, Beltola, Guwahati-29.	Rs.95,000/-	International workshop on cataract surgery on 12th May, 2001 at Guwahati.	do
MEGHALAYA			
17. Dr. M.S. Dkhar, Convenor, Deptt. of Botany, NEHU, Shillong-22	Rs.20,000/-	National Seminar on Role of Microbes in Environmental Protection & Rural Development on 23rd -25th October, 1998 at NEHU Campus, Shillong.	do
18. Dr. B. Dutta Ray, Secretary, NE. Indian Council for Social Science Research, B.T. Hostel, Shillong	Rs.45,000/-	2-days National Seminar on Perspective Issues & Problems of border trade on NE India from 14th - 16th December, 1998 at Shillong.	do
19. Organising Secretary, National Seminar on Mgemnt. Strategy, National Seminar for NE Hilly Ecosystem, ICAR Complex for NEH Region, Umroi road, Barapani.	Rs.1,00,000/-	National Seminar for NE Region on 8th - 10th August, 1998.	do
20. Dr. R.N. Sharma, Organising Secretary, International conference of Bio Chemistry, NEHU, Shillong.	Rs.45,000/-	Organising 8th International Conference on Radiation Biology on 12th November,1998.	do
21. Director, ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region, Umroi road, Barapani.	Rs.35,000/-	For attending 8th International Congress on Infectious Disease on 15th -18th May, 1998.	do
22. Director, Science & Technology, NEC, Shillong	Rs.64,000/-	Workshop on Policy & Programme for development of electronics & information technology in NER on 17th October, 1998 at Shillong.	do
23. Director (Manpower), NEC, Shillong.	Rs.1,50,000/-	One day Workshop on Promotion of Sports & Youth Activities in NE Region organised by Manpower Sector of NEC on 5th February, 1999 at St.Anthony`s College Auditorium, Shillong.	do

24. Sr. Executive Secy., KJP Synod church House, Mission compound, Shillong.	Rs.75,000/-	2-days Training Programme on Drug abuse, de-addiction and counselling organised by KJP Synod on 26th-27th June,1999	do
25. Shri P.G. Momin, President, society for environment protection & rural development, SEPARD, Pedaldoba, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.	Rs.25,000/-	One-day Workshop on Environment & Improvement and Upgradation Work held on 5th June at West Garo Hills.	do
26. Dr. B. Dutta Ray, Secy., NE India Council for Social Research, B.T. Hostel, Laitumkhrah, Shillong.	Rs.10,000/-	Seminar on Forest Resources Perspective Issues & Problems of NE India on 5th - 6th June, 1999.	do
27. Chairperson, National Conference on Pollution, Man & Environment, Shillong College, Shillong.	Rs.50,000/-	National Conference on Pollution, Man & Environment organised by Shillong College, Shillong on 15th-16th June,1999 at Shillong.	do
28. Prof. A.D. Sinha, Hony. Director, Indian Council for social science research, NERC Upper Nongthymmai, Shillong.	Rs.50,000/-	National Conference on Pollution, Man & Environment organised by Shillong College, Shillong on 15th-16th June,1999 at Shillong.	do
29. Post Master General, Exhibition Secretariat, NE Postal Circle, Shillong-1.	Rs.20,000/-	Workshop on Research Meghodology in Social Science in context of NE region.	do
30. Dr. A.K. Yadav, Lecturer, Deptt. of Zoology, NEHU, Shillong.	Rs.50,000/-	NE Philatelic Exhibition (NETEX-98), Shillong 23rd-25th April, 1999.	do
31. Dr. Valentia Myrboh, Organising Secretary, NESCON, Lumbasuk, Nongthymmai, Shillong.	Rs.1,00,000/-	National Level Young Scientist Workshop June, 2000.	do
32. Principal & Head Division of Agronomy, ICAR Research Complex, Umroi, Shillong.	Rs.35,000/-	Workshop on Spine Injury 9th-10th March, 2001 at Shillong.	do
33. Dr. R. Wankhar, Organising Secretary, Gynaecological Societies.	Rs.1,50,000/-	Seminar on Integrated Nutrient Supply Management System-21st May, 1999 at Nagaland.	do
		12th Convention of NE Gynaecological Societies in Shillong-21st - 22nd April, 2001.	
AGARTALA			
34. Hony. Secretary, Institute of Engineers, Tripura.	Rs.30,000/-	All India Seminar on Power Development on 10th to 12th August, 2000 at Agartala.	Programme organised.

OTHER OUSIDE THE REGION

35. Dr. Y.S. Murthy, Secy., Association of Exploration of Geo-Physics, Osmania University, Hyderabad.	Rs.30,000/- 1897-	23rd Annual Convention & Workshop Programme on the Great Shillong Earthquake organised on 18th to 20th November, 1997.
36. Director, National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow.	Rs.1,39,500/-	Workshop on NE Fish Germ-Plasm Inventorisation on 10th -11th February, 2000.
37. Dr. K. Kanungo & Dr.S. John Joseph of M/s Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai.	Rs.25,162/-	Preparation of Vision Papers on the new millennium-Meeting on 28th January, 2000.
38. Coordinator, Centre for Cooperative & Rural Development,L.B.S.National Academy of Administration, Mussourie.	Rs.2,00,000/-	Awareness & Initiation Policy Seminar for NE States to amend Cooperative Societies Act.

STUDIES

Name of Scheme and agency	Approved cost in Rs.lakh	Comen- cement of scheme	Relesed Fund in Rs.lakh	Objective and findings
Magnetotectonic studies in NER Indian Institute of Geomagnetism Bombay (Autonomous Institute under Ministry of S&T GOI)	19.026	1993	9.026	The scheme is an Earthquake precursor study. The objective is to establish a semi-permanent Geomagnetic observatory at REC camps, Silchar and to sruvey in a magnetic vulnerable route for the correlation of magnetic field data with that of seismicity of region.
				The semi-permanent Geomagnetic observatory at Regional Engineering College is functional from last 2 years. Studies are being carried out to correlate the magnetic field anomaly with sesmicity of the region based on repeat Geomagnetic surveys.
Exploration of `SOM` germ plasm of NER	10.158	1996	10.158	The objective is to improve the overall Muga production in the region through the selection of `SOM` variety to feed the muga worm.
Regional Research Laboratory Jorhat (CSIR) Assam				The study was completed during 2000 based on the extensive research caried out at RRL Jorhat. The outcome has resulted in identification of few varieties of host plant suitable to yield high muga production.

Development of Technology for degumming Ramic fibre. Assam Science and Technology Environment Council, Guwahati (ASTEC ASSAM)	11.23	1996	10.23	The objective is for developing a commercially viable ramic degumming plant from analysis of both quality as well as quantity point of view. Transfer of S&T input to the cultivators for possible increase in production of raw ramic in the field.
				The study is already in completion stage. The product based on the development technology by ASTC about degumming of Rammic Fibre has been referred to CSIR laboratory for further analysis to measure the fibre strength.
				A pilot study on assessment of bamboo and banana distribution in the North Eastern Region using Remote Sensing technology.
National Remote Sensing Agency, Deptt. of Space, Hyderabad.	4.41	1999	3.969	The main objective of the project is for mapping of banana and bamboo from forest environment by using Digital classification technique of Remote Sensing technology for 2 districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
				NRSA has developed the algorithm for classification and mapping of banana and bamboo from the forest environment has been carried out using digital classification which was also validated through detailed survey. This technology has been found successfully in classifying these two spacies from the mixed environment. The report is being finalised.
				Development of an improved process for utilization of banana fibres as roofing material
Regional Research Laboratory Jorhat (CSIR) Assam	3.62	1999	3.258	The project component involves survey & screening the banana plants in terms of quantum availability and type in some particular Areas of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and other NE States. Deveopment of process technology in cottage/small scale extraction of fibres from banana plants for use as a roofing materials in dwelling hutments and preparation of complete technology package for economic extraction and utilisation of the fibres as roofing materials.
				The work is in progress and technology is being developed by RRI, Jorhat.
				Instrumentation of building to study the seismic response in the NER.

Deptt. of Earthquake Engineering, University of Roorkee, Roorkee U.P.)	24.90	1996	20.069	The objective of the scheme is to understand the building behavior, validate the mathematical model used to model the buildings and finally evolving a detter design to resists earthquake forces.
				The instruments have already procured. One set of the equipment has recently been installed in the Type-IV quarter of NEC Residential complex, Shillong and data recording is in progress. Based on this data the University will develop buildig response model during earthquake.
				Road alignment studies for Indo-Myanmar road from Pangchao to Bijoynagar, Arunachal Pradesh.
National Remote Sensing Agency, Deptt. of Space, Hyderabad.	9.36	1999	8.424	Suitable road alignment studies concerning corridor will be provided considering the geological parameters derived from the satellite image data.
				NRSA has carried out the studies by using remote sensing technology and has defined the corridor of road alignment. The final report is being prepared by NRSA. Hyderabad.
				Feasibility study for diverting the flow of Depi River into Debing and Dikari rivers and Dekapam river into Dikari and Simen rivers in East Siang Distt. Arunachal Pradesh
National Remote Sensing Agency, Deptt. of Space, Hyderabad.	10.24	1999	9.216	The scope of activities includes - Study of bank line migration of different rivers withing the study area - mapping of areas susceptible to soil erosion and landslide - study of debuncate water courses during monsoon and non monsoon period - mapping of possible type of vegetation cover river migration, land use etc.
				NRSA has carried out the studies by using remote sensing technology. The final report is being prepared by NRSA, Hyderabad.
				Community resource development plant based on the remote sensing technology (2 districts of Arunachal Pradesh).
Arunachal Pradesh Remote Sensing centre, Itanagar, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	20.00	2000	15.00	Based on this socio-economic data and stellite images of different resolutions, action plans for community resource development will be provided for 2 districts.
				Different thematic maps have been

developed using remote sensing images of different resolutions. Survey work is udner progress for collection of socio-economic data in order to incorporate in the studies. Based on the above studies, action plans will be suggested for community resource development.